



34th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Solemnity of CHRIST THE KING

1st Reading: Ezekiel 34.11-12, 15-17
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.20-26, 28
Gospel: Matthew 25.31-46.

manipulated and twisted into lies in our society.

Here is her essay:

“Truth is often obscured by euphemisms. A euphemism is “a word or phrase used to avoid saying an unpleasant or offensive word.” A euphemism for euthanasia, “dying with dignity”, implies that someone asking to be killed by a medical worker is dignified, whereas dying in any other way, including naturally, is undignified. Directing people’s attention to the supposed welfare of mankind, euphemism effectively hides the truth of abortion and euthanasia. Pro-lifers are often dubbed, “anti-abortionists”. This implies that pro-lifers only care about depriving women of the freedom to kill their babies and hides the fact that the pro-life movement is committed to caring for all human life, from conception to birth to childhood to adulthood to natural death. Truth is watered down so drastically that it resembles a lie. In matters of life and death, especially in vulnerable human beings, it is crucial to stick to the frank truth. As the young people of North America, we possess the power to save lives through truthful words and loving deeds.”

Words of wisdom from someone wise beyond her years. She can clearly see the deception used in language that subtly persuades one to be confused about the truth. Truth in our day and age is considered “relative”. You have your truth; I have mine. Which, of course, is impossible. We are born with an innate sense of what is right and wrong. We know in our hearts what is true. Only the cynical can ask, “What is truth?”

Peace,
Father Larry

What Is Truth? Pontius Pilate

Is Truth worth dying for? Just how important is the truth? Jesus, the King of the Universe, stood before Pontius Pilate and discussed his kingship. “Are you king of the Jews?” “...my kingdom is not here.” “Then you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born...to testify to the truth.” And Pilate, with a cynical view on the value of truth, condemns Truth himself to die. “What is truth?”

The concept of the truth seems to come up a lot lately. Last week’s first reading at Daily Mass was about the Maccabees and how despite being faced with imminent and painful death, a mother encourages her seven sons to give their lives rather than deny the truth.

Last week, I viewed with my brother priests at the Clergy Study week, a film, called A Hidden Life. It was about a man who was executed because he could not, in conscience, swear allegiance to Adolph Hitler. It is a true story, based on the life of Franz Jaggerstatter, beautifully told by a master filmmaker, Terrence Mallick. Most people, as it turns out, won’t die for the truth: no one else in Jaggerstatter’s village, or in all of Austria, for that matter, not the priests, nor the bishop, nor the judge, who is modelled after Pontius Pilate in the movie, no one.

Here at Our Lady of Lourdes, we have the privilege of having a young eighth grade student in our parish who has won the first-place prize in the junior category of an essay contest held by the North Shore Pro-Life Society. This young girl, Krystyn Kurzyrna knows something about the truth and how it is

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WELCOME

We welcome all visitors. If you are new to the Parish, please fill out the registration form available at the entrance to the Church. And please introduce yourself to our pastor, Father Larry.

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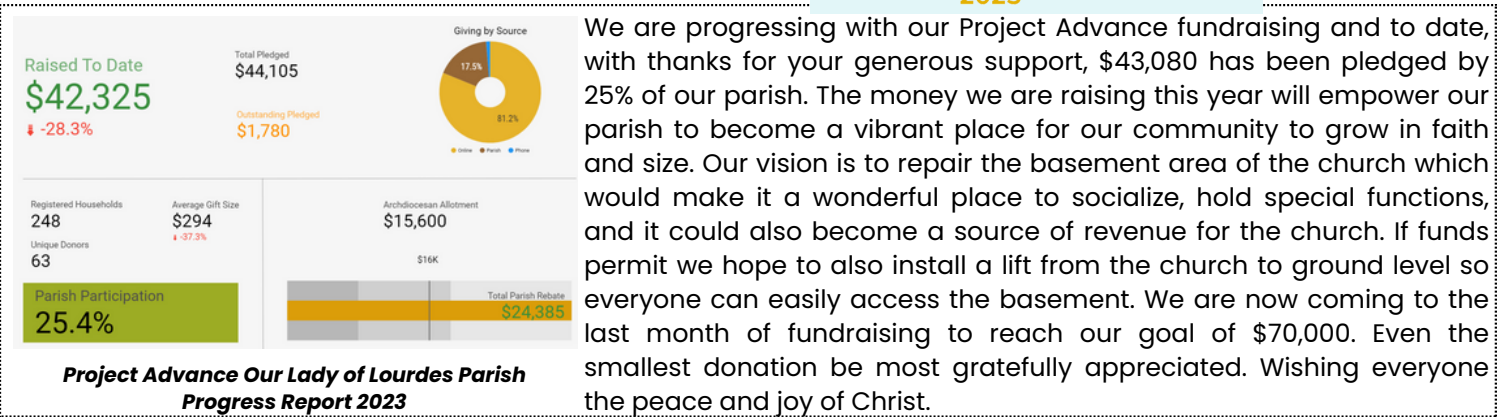
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ADORATION



**SERVE THE LORD
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**WILL YOU COMMIT TO
ONE HOUR A WEEK
TO PRAY FOR PEACE?**

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Religious Articles from the Holy Land to fulfill all your spiritual needs!



"The war right now made Bethlehem and other areas sieged places, thus most Christian families completely lost all their incomes, especially, the people who are carving the olive wood, and all related people to this."

By Farid Qumsieh - Holy Land Group
Hand-crafted religious **olive wood carvings** from Holy Land will be available for purchase at the Upper St. Anne's Hall on **November 25 and 26** after all The Lord's Day Masses. Please note that only cash, e-transfer, or cheque are accepted as payment at this time.

Walking in the Way of the Lord: Attuning to God - An Advent Retreat for Divorced and Separated

The day will start with Mass and participants will have the opportunity to have small group discussions, time for Adoration and Confession, and a shared meal. This retreat will take place on **December 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Parish in Surrey**. Registration is \$15. Learn more and register online at beholdvancouver.org/events

Archbishop's Annual Mass for Life

Join Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB as Celebrant and our Father Larry as Concelebrant for Mass at Holy Rosary Cathedral on **Saturday, December 16 at 12:00 p.m.** We begin with the Rosary at 11:30 a.m. and then Mass, with a reception to follow. We recognize and celebrate all life from conception to its natural end and the people who witness and volunteer in this field. Donation of finger food would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off before Mass at the Holy Rosary Hall.

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon. to Sat.: Rosary at 7:55am and Mass at 8:30am
Thursday Mass will be followed by Adoration.

SUNDAY MASS

English: Sat.: 5:00pm and Sun.: 9:00am
English/French: Sun.: 11:00AM

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Masses: 8:30am and 7:00pm
Adoration: 9:00am - 10:00am and 5:45pm - 6:45pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tues. to Sat. at 8:00am until 8:25am
Sat.: 4:00 - 4:45 pm. Or by appointment.

HOLY COMMUNION

Anyone who is not able to attend Mass and wishes to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

BAPTISM

By appointment only.

MARRIAGE

All couples planning to be married in this Parish should contact the pastor at least 6 months in advance. Non-parishioners must obtain written permission from your parish.

FUNERAL

Contact Parish Priest before making arrangements.

SACRAMENTALS

For blessing of cars, religious articles and house blessings, please contact Parish Office.

BOOKING MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are offered to God as prayers of intercession and thanksgiving. Please connect with the parish office to request an intention.

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26-Nov	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISHIONERS
26-Nov	Sunday	11:00 AM	✝	Evelyn F. Bechaves
27-Nov	Monday	8:30 AM	✝	Souls in Purgatory
28-Nov	Tuesday	8:30 AM	INT	Thanksgiving for Robert Tang
29-Nov	Wednesday	8:30 AM	INT	Eddie Duterres
30-Nov	Thursday	8:30 AM	✝	Erpina Marthias
1-Dec	Friday	8:30 AM	INT	Humberto Moura
1-Dec	Friday	7:00 PM	INT	Ray Gonzales
2-Dec	Saturday	8:30 AM	INT	Kevin Beaudry

PREP News

Christmas Cards by our students

Advent season begins after this Sunday, the Solemnity of Christ the King. Our PREP children started making Christmas cards that will be given to those in care homes and in prisons, to bring them joy and love on Christmas Day! We started a PREP parents' program where they can socialize while the children are in their catechism classes. They get to watch videos to help them grow in faith and love for God and one another.



'Adventus: A Spiritual Pilgrimage' Movie

Next **Wednesday, Nov. 29**, all PREP parents are invited to the Lower St. Anne's Hall to watch "**Adventus: A Spiritual Pilgrimage**" to help us prepare our hearts for Advent and Christmas. This documentary allows us to make a spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land to see the places associated with Christ's Birth.

Congratulations Krystyn! The first-place winner in the Junior category of Pro-Life Essay sponsored by North Shore Pro-Life Society. Krystyn, a parishioner of Our Lady of Lourdes is a Grade 8 student at Traditional Learning Academy.

North Shore Pro-Life Society

The Autumn newsletter is now available and is posted in our website (homepage). Here are some highlights:

- What can we do to stop the expansion of Euthanasia
- NSPL Christmas cards for SALE

Need a Christmas gift idea? Continue a memorable tradition Send Christmas Cards

For selection please visit: <https://www.northshoreprolife.org/news>

To order call 604-980-7189 (if no answer, leave a message) or email northshoreprolife@gmail.com.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are ill, especially:

Lina Aussant, Dr. Erb, Kathleen Lauzon, Ralph Roberts, René & Gilberte Collette, the Quek Family, Marielle Wunderlich, Father Lucien Larré and Teresita Cunningham

Through the intercession of St. John Paul II we ask that you heal them O Lord. Give them love and strength we pray, through Christ our Lord.

COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER MASS

Come and join us for coffee after the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses on Sundays. Celebrate with each other and get to know your fellow parishioners. This weekend we thank **the Choir** for sponsoring.



PARISH MINISTRIES

- Alpha** Anthony Marroquin & Alex Lim
- Altar Servers** Alex Lim
- ACRSS Rep** Irenaeus Lim
- CWL** Josephine (Dollie) Basa
- Choir (Sun 9am)** Josephine (Dollie) Basa
- Choir (Sun 11am)** Roger De Villa
- Couples for Christ** Alejandro & Stella Delos Santos
- K of C** Danny Kusnardi
- Lector** Suzanne Tkach
- Prayer Group** Alex & Nancy Lim
- PREP** Marilyn Sarte
- Project Advance** Kathy Gorkoff & Francis Gutierrez
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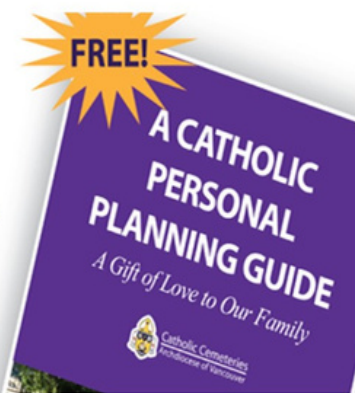
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